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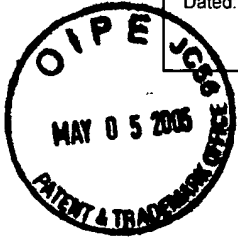
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In re Continuation Patent Application of:  
Jun OZAWA, et al.

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For: VACUUM PROCESS SYSTEM

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 7, 2004, for which a response was due on March 7, 2005, and for which a two-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from March 7, 2005, to May 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

## **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

### **SPECIFICATION**

☒ There are amendments to the specification.

### **CLAIMS**

☐ There are no amendments to the claims.

☒ A complete listing of all claims ever present in this case in ascending order with status identifier is presented in a separate section.